

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am signing Assembly Bill 2030, which would authorize a charter school to appeal a revocation decision by its chartering authority. As revocation is a serious matter that causes a disruption in instructional services for the school's students, the need for a charter school to have its case heard before a more disinterested body is clear.

However, I am signing it with the understanding that subsequent legislation will provide further clarification on some key issues. Clarification is needed on the status of the charter school if the county board of education or the State Board of Education (SBE) does not issue a timely decision. The bill is silent on this matter. I believe cleanup legislation should specify which entity is responsible for oversight of the charter during the course of an appeal. Finally, I further request that subsequent legislation will make clear whether or not a charter school may continue operations during an appeal to the State Board of Education, if a revocation issued on the basis of fraudulent conduct is upheld by the county board of education.

With that understanding, I am signing this bill.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger